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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC RESEARCH

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ORGANIZATION

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The following organization changes are effective on 1 July 1968:

1. The Space Systems Branch of the Strategic Forces Division is renamed the Technical Resources Branch and transferred to the Programs Analysis Division. The analytical efforts currently under way in several OSR branches to study Soviet expenditures for research and development on both military and space programs are consolidated in the Technical Resources Branch. It will concentrate on improving the use of aggregative measures such as the budgetary and manpower aspects of these R&D programs and will develop additional analogue measures of R&D effort by major mission and weapon system. The Technical Resources Branch will maintain close working relationships with the Office of Economic Research and with DDS&T components on aspects of civilian R&D and military-related technological developments.

2. The Strategy and Trends Branch of the Programs Analysis Division is renamed the Strategic Evaluation Branch. Its analytical techniques and focus will be broadened to include more quantitative analysis of Soviet force levels and activities, in conjunction with other evidence of national military policy and doctrine based on policy statements, political-military relationships, and the military press. The Branch will be responsible for exploiting computer programs engaged in strategic war simulation. The Branch will continue to be responsible for analyzing Soviet and Warsaw Pact military policy and doctrine and their relationship to national strategies, goals, and programs. It will continue to perform intelligence research on

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Soviet civil defense, command and control, crisis management, and arms control attitudes and policies.

3. The Military Expenditures Branch of the Programs Analysis Division is renamed the Military-Economic Planning Branch. It will focus on the cost implications of alternative future military programs, using inputs from other OSR and Agency components responsible for analysis of Soviet forces, weapon systems, strategy and doctrine, defense expenditures, and technical resources. It will continue to develop the military-economic planning model as an aid to strategic research. In consultation with the Office of Economic Research, the Military-Economic Planning Branch will assess the implications of alternative military programs on military machinery procurement, their effects on the producing sectors, and how these factors might affect Soviet military decisions. It will study Soviet ruble prices and price formation trends of military goods, and will develop improved approaches for estimating the value of military production. The Branch is responsible for OSR's analysis of the Soviet defense budget. It will also perform research on the managerial and decision-making processes of the Soviet military-industrial complex.

4. A Free World Branch is established in the Strategic Forces Division to perform research in depth on the advanced weapon and military programs of strategically significant Free World countries. It is the research complement to the General Branch of the Regional Analysis Division, which continues to be responsible for reporting current military developments in non-Communist countries.

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